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9 FAM 41.21 NOTES

Changes

- 1. This Change Transmittal issues updates to 9 FAM 41.21 Notes.
 - N5.1-2 New title: Other Members of Principal Alien's Household
 - N5.2 Aliens Who are Members of Some Other Household
 - N6.1 Aliens Entitled to A-3, G-5, or NATO-7 Classification
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